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**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE.**  
Henceforth all obituaries, cards of thanks, lodge notices, notices of all public affairs, charging admission, citations, executors' notices, notices of discharge, etc., will be charged for at the legal rate.  
There has been some uncertainty in the minds of our friends as to what news really is. The items mentioned above are not news items, nor can we accept such items for publication except as advertising.

Weather forecast for South Carolina: Probably fair Friday and Saturday.

FRIDAY, JULY 9, 1915.

Frank Holt is not the only crank in the United States. There are plenty of them still living, unfortunately.

Says The Greenwood Journal: "Whatever may be said for or against him it can not be denied that Vice President Marshall is a strong Presbyterian." It cannot, because he was elected.

With a paved Main street, and brilliant white way, miles of cement walks, the biggest cotton mill in the world, and the most progressive citizenship to be found, of course "Lancaster Leads."

What impression will be made on the mind of a child if he is told by his parent that the injunction contained in the Holy Book, "Thou shalt not kill," should be obeyed, and then beholds that parent go out and besmear his hand with the blood of a fellow being?

"Attorney General Thomas Peeples should feel proud of the record he made in recent decisions in South Carolina cases from the supreme court. In the six cases six decisions were handed down in favor of the state. York News. Good for the young man. Pass the good word along."—Anderson Intelligencer. We pass.

There is no more important matter before the people of South Carolina than that of law enforcement. A correspondent in one of our daily papers puts the matter in a nut-shell when he says: "We are suffering from maladministration in the past when men holding high positions offered to lead a mob under certain circumstances."

North Carolina owes much to the memory of the late Joseph P. Caldwell, editor of The Charlotte Observer, and it was fitting that the Press Association of the Old North State should inaugurate a movement for a suitable memorial to him. What N. G. Gonzales, the lamented editor of The State was to South Carolina journalism, J. P. Caldwell was to the same profession in North Carolina.

The Georgia legislature, in order to better enforce the new prohibition law of that state, believes in sweeping up its own hearth stone first, as is evidenced by the following rule it has adopted: "No member shall be permitted on the floor of the house while in an intoxicated condition, and the door keeper is directed to keep a close watch and eject any member who is intoxicated." It might not be a bad idea for the South Carolina legislature to follow suit.

Doesn't it look bad that the farmers of Lancaster county, because of the indifference, or whatever you may call it, of our business men, are forced to carry the wheat they were urged to plant last fall to Monroe to have ground into flour. One of our best farmers told us yesterday that he and two of his neighbors had carried their wheat to Monroe recently. While there they each bought goods to the amount of \$60. This is one indication of how much in trade Lancaster is losing each year to nearby towns. A flour mill, under proper management, would pay the stockholders a profit and at the same time take care of all of the home raised wheat. But even if it didn't pay a profit, just think of the indirect benefit to the town and the encouragement for the raising of wheat.

### WHEN LYNCHING WILL CEASE.

The Columbia State is making some strong appeals to the hearts and consciences of the people of South Carolina in the matter of respect for the law. In Tuesday's issue of that paper, in commenting on the lynching by a mob of two innocent negroes because one of their race had killed a white man, it gives the crux of the matter as follows:

"So far as law and law-making go, the white people of Georgia are supreme. The question is not what the law should be. It is whether the people want LAW or NO-LAW."

"No woman was involved in the case near Round Oak, in Georgia."

"That two negroes have lost their lives, though innocent, in Georgia, is not a matter that one need discuss."

"The question is whether or not a community whose members defy law and resort to mob ways is safe for a white man to live in."

"If little boys should be brought up in the notion that one day they, for any reason, must go out and kill a man, black or white, regardless of law, why send them to church, to Sunday school and day school? It will surely unfit them for the job."

"If the people go on multiplying churches, schools and Sunday schools and reading the Sermon on the Mount, some day lynching will cease."

"Let The State make itself plain once more. How severe the laws against a crime, murder, arson, the nameless crime, be made, we do not especially care. We trust the people. They can and they should protect themselves against criminals. But the people can not save themselves, they can not in the long run protect even their women, without law! There is no reason, there is no excuse, for having a government, for men to join one another in creating and maintaining what we call the 'State of South Carolina,' if, by our acts, we are going to say that the government, the state, is weak, impotent, not to be trusted to give and to preserve peace and security."

The minds and hearts of our people must be enlightened, until the time comes when all the laws of society will be respected and when no man will dare take the law into his own hands no matter what the provocation. Upon the pulpit, the school house and the newspaper, rests a great responsibility in bringing about this enlightenment. The State newspaper is undoubtedly doing its part.

### TO REMOVE ILLITERACY.

State Superintendent of Instruction Dr. J. Y. Joyner of North Carolina, made a pathetic appeal to the Press Association at its recent meeting at Montreat, for their support in the effort to see the Old North State from adult illiteracy. The plan he suggested for the removal of the blot was moonlight schools.

"In response to this appeal," says The Salisbury Post, "the Press Association adopted a resolution which accepts the challenge of the superintendent and pledges the press of the state to perform its part in this great and good work. A great educational campaign is to begin in the state in the early fall, a campaign to wipe out the last of the state's adult illiteracy—a most glorious undertaking, and to which all the citizens of the state who love North Carolina ought to set themselves in all seriousness."

The moonlight schools worked wonders in Kentucky. Instead of moonlight stills, there are now moonlight schools. We should not forget that South Carolina is lower in the scale of ignorance than her sister state and it behooves us likewise to bestir ourselves to the end that the galling yoke of ignorance may be removed.

### WILL THEY REMEMBER?

The Pageland Journal believes if the seasons keep up the farmers in that section "will be in better condition this fall than if there had never been a war in Europe." The Journal says occasionally it finds a man who will agree with that statement but that more often they disagree. We agree with our contemporary. In some respects the war has been a blessing to the cotton farmers, by forcing them to get down to "brass tacks" and farm for themselves and families instead of the other fellow. Says The Journal:

"We see more corn, cane, peas and other food and feed crops growing than ever before, the crops are being made at about half the cost of former crops and the farmers will owe very little of what they make this year."

But will the farmers remember the lesson taught by the war? "Aye, there's the rub!"

We ask every farmer in Lancaster county, who has a family to read the admirable address of Congressman Lever to the graduating class of Winthrop College on the Needs of Rural Life, published in this issue.

### PRISON SENTENCES.

We note from The Greenwood Journal that Judge Mendel L. Smith has been imposing prison sentences instead of alternative fines, against persons convicted at the recent term of court for that county. We think Judge Smith is to be commended for this course. There are many cases where the imposition of a fine will not meet the ends of justice, particularly in the matter of carrying concealed weapons, violating the liquor laws, etc. We have known of aggravated cases being tried, the parties convicted promptly by the jury and the trial judge would make the sentence in the alternative, the defendant would pay the money down in a few moments and walk out of the court house a more dangerous man to the community than when he entered it. The sentence imposed should always be commensurate with the gravity of the offense and such as will deter the accused from a repetition of it. Says The Journal:

"Judge Smith is right in taking this position. There are too many people who stand ready to pay a criminal out when a fine is placed upon him. This has had the effect of increasing crime as it causes evil doers not to dread the law. They take the risk, feeling assured that if caught it will not amount to very much, as there are any number of white men, if the criminal be a negro, who stand ready to pay him out."

"The penitentiary or the chain-gang is the thing for the blind tiger care for a fine so long as he is able to continue his dirty business? He can make his fine in a short while, and go on, as though nothing had happened—and really nothing, of consequence, has happened so far as he is concerned."

### GOOD RESULTS OF THE WAR.

As we have had occasion to remark before, the European war has not altogether worked harm to the South. It has been the means of bringing both the creditor and debtor class to their senses. If both classes will learn the lesson of the war, so well as not ever to forget it, it will prove a blessing in the end. As a result of the stringent times, there has been less credit extended than any year since the Civil War, excepting possibly the year 1865, which is good for everybody. The credit or time business has been a curse to the South, and there will never be any real prosperity wherever it exists. We are glad to note from The Monroe Enquirer that the system is rapidly playing out in Union county in that state. Says The Enquirer: "The 'time business' for farm supplies has well nigh played out in this county. There is not on the books of the merchants, fertilizer dealers, and live stock dealers here more than one-fourth the amount 'charged' as there was last year. The crop now growing will be grown with less outlay of money than has any crop for the past thirty-five years. The wagon loaded with corn and hay with tongue turned away from town is well nigh a thing of the past. Instead of the farmer asking somebody to 'run him' he is coming into town and asking folks to buy his produce. More money will be paid for butter fat in this county in a very short time from now on than was paid for Western corn and hay a few years ago. A better day has come. If that bloomin' war in Europe keeps on much longer ours will be an independent people indeed."

### WHAT WILL YOU DO WITH IT?

Those farmers who failed to read aright, the signs of the times and pitched a big crop of cotton this spring, may well be considering what they expect to do with it in view of the probable outlook. The next report of the bureau of census will show that the production of cotton in 1914 was over 16,000,000 bales, the biggest crop ever produced before. The decrease in acreage this year as compared with last year is 15.7 per cent—the government's estimate being that there are 31,535,000 acres planted. The condition on July 1st was reported to be 80.3 per cent. So the probabilities are that the cotton crop this year will be around 12,500,000 bales. But there was carried over from last year something like four million bales, which will make the total amount of cotton on hand this fall something like 16,000,000 bales—with the war still going on in Europe, what are we going to do with all of this cotton?

We congratulate Greenville on the election of a city council that will take a firm stand for law and order. The Greenville News says, "It should cause loyal citizens to rejoice." Not only in Greenville, but in other communities, as well, the sentiment for better enforcement of the laws is growing.

# EARN MORE

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### FROM OTHER PAPERS

**Perfectly Willing.**  
We are perfectly willing for Georgia to take the lead in the matter of lynchings.—Anderson Mail.

**Uncle Hardy's Sentiments.**  
Ode to the Fourth—Roses are red, violets are blue; watermelon is sweet and so am I, chickun.—Charleston Post.

**Uncle Hardy's Dish.**  
And about the time Miss Peach says good-bye, old Colonel Watermelon enters wholeheartedly into our menu of seasonal delicacies. Anderson Mail.

**Sings of the Times.**  
Times are obliged to be getting better. We notice where Colleton county is considering the advisability of organizing a Chamber of Commerce.—Greenwood Journal.

**Too Well Satisfied.**  
One great obstacle in the way of progress in this community is that entirely too many people are thoroughly satisfied with present conditions.—Henderson Gold Leaf.

**"Way Off."**  
According to an exchange 97 per cent of the women of this country have no servants. It's all wrong—way off. More than 3 per cent of the women are married.—Anderson Mail.

**Strange, Isn't It?**  
Many a fellow who is free to say he cannot pay his bills seemingly has plenty of money to keep an automobile on the go most of the time.—Henderson Gold Leaf.

**Spent Two Fortunes.**  
Harry K. Thaw spent a fortune in proving himself insane in order to get out of the murder of Stanford White, and now he is having to spend another fortune to prove his sanity in order to keep out of Matteawan.—Henderson Gold Leaf.

**Violating the Speed Law.**  
If some of the candidates run much faster next summer than they are now running, they may find themselves face to face with the charge of violating the ordinance forbidding self-propelled vehicles to run more than forty miles an hour.—Press and Banner.

**"Gouging."**  
The Annapolis Naval Academy is not the only school in the country where "gouging" has been a common practice for years and years. It is common in schools of all kinds—graded schools, male and female institutions, technical schools, universities, etc.—Yorkville Enquirer.

**What Advertising Does.**  
High prices are paid for a business "good will." Many men will give \$5,000 for the name and reputation of a certain store that can't pay them more than \$1,500 to \$3,000 a year, including both interest on their money and payment for their own personal work.

The reason that good will brings such a high price is that it takes so long to get it, unless one makes a very active campaign for it. There is one way of getting a good will in a brief time. That is by persistent advertising. By keeping his goods before the public, a store will become familiarly known in a single year. But a man who keeps still about his goods, and trusts to the slow accretions of time is likely to have to wait a dozen years before he may ever get it.—Florence Times.

**Judge Smith Ill.**  
His many friends throughout the state will regret to learn that Mendel L. Smith of Camden, judge of the fifth judicial circuit, is at the Columbia Hospital ill with fever. Judge Smith had been feeling badly for ten days and on adjourning court at Greenwood Saturday stopped in Columbia for treatment. Later reports from Columbia state that he is doing well.—Camden Chronicle.

**Result of Hard Times.**  
Postmaster Poag's salary has been reduced from \$2,700 to \$2,600. In the annual readjustment of salaries, seven postmasters in South Carolina received increases and 23 had their salaries reduced.—Rock Hill Record.

### APPRECIATES RECENT LETTERS

Mr. Adams Glad to Hear From His Old Friend, Rev. F. O. Criminger. To the Editor of The News:

Well, I was glad to hear from Rev. F. O. Criminger, one of my old school mates. I want to wish him a successful life. May God add His blessings to his work. Well I am always glad to read Mr. Twitty's letters from Valdosta, Ga., though I never knew him myself, but as long as my grandparents lived they always enjoyed reading his letters, for they were raised together. I think they were school mates and always wished to see him in their old age. Therefore, for their sake it makes his letters interesting for me to read. He is always on the right side I think.

Well, I think if times get much harder we will all have to do like I heard one family doing in another week and if it gives out they go section nearby. The joke is that they allowance themselves for the visiting. That is all right if they go

to the right place. Well I think Mr. C. O. Neal has the best patch of corn I have seen, it is certainly fine. He is one of the boys who lives at home and boards at the same place.

We had an excellent sermon yesterday from our pastor, Rev. J. W. H. Dyches, from the sixth chapter of Isaiah. We are expecting our protracted meeting to begin July 25th, which is the fourth Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Adams of the Longville section were visitors at Flint Ridge yesterday.

Mr. L. A. Watson visited Mr. R. L. Lyles yesterday.

We had a fine rain last night, which we longed to see very much. O. C. ADAMS.

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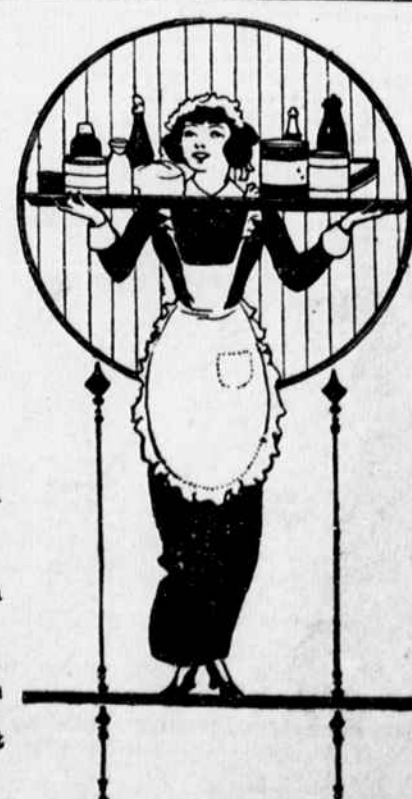
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No. 9.

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